CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE

The February 2, 2016, Regular Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas at 7:00 p.m.; Council Chambers, City Hall.

Councilmembers present: Cudaback, Gamble, Hanford, Kamp, and Scarboro.

Staff members present: Baker, Brazel, Haley, Farrell, Feilberg, Nelson, Osaki,

Quenzer, Rozzano, and Warthan; City Attorney Lell.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Kamp.

Mayor Thomas noted, without objection, the excused absence of Councilmembers Davis and Rasmussen. No objections were noted.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

The following person spoke regarding the Monroe Community Coalition and the movie *Paper Tigers*: Mr. Joe Neigel. Mayor Thomas and Council thanked Mr. Neigel for his work with the coalition.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the Minutes; January 26, 2016, Regular Business Meeting
- 2. Approval of AP Checks and ACH Payments (Check Nos. 86644 through 86673, and ACH Payments, in a total amount of \$294,183.67)

Councilmember Kamp moved to approve the Consent Agenda; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Cudaback. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. AB16-014: Discussion: Impact Fee Deferral System [ESB 5923]

Mr. Dave Osaki, Community Development Director, provided background information on AB16-014, ESB 5923, and an impact fee deferral system.

General discussion ensued regarding reaching out to the Monroe School District, Snohomish School District, Master Builders Association, and the P4 committee. After the outreach is complete, the item will be brought back to Council for further discussion in March 2016.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. AB16-015: Discussion: 2016 Work Program

Mayor Thomas presented background information on AB16-015 and the 2016 Work Program. City Staff members reviewed their portions of the Plan, including: Community Development, Monroe Municipal Court, Public Works, Parks, and the Police Department.

General discussion ensued regarding: the Community Development Work Plan implementation; Municipal Court services (video court, alternatives, and integration with other cities); Public Works projects (Rivmont water main construction, Fryelands pedestrian rail crossing, and Community Development Block Grant for completion of the sidewalks); Parks projects and programs (Cablepark, Skate Park, Lake Tye building update, Cadman Master Park plan, Veteran's Memorial, increased service needs, Music in the Park, Movies in the Park, and Wiggly Field Off-Leash Park); and Police Department Five-Year Strategic Plan development.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember Scarboro commented on the AWC City Legislation Days, and meetings with Representatives Scott and Kristiansen and Senator Pearson.

1. City Council Finance and Human Resources Committee

Councilmember Gamble reported on the items discussed at the Finance and Human Resource Committee meeting, including: selection of 2016 chairperson (Gamble); Performance Evaluations Report; and 2016 Committee Work Plan.

Councilmember Gamble commented on attendance at the Economic Alliance luncheon in Olympia, and a tour of Monroe High School and the Monroe School District administration building.

Councilmember Hanford commented on the candlelight vigil for Grayson Hill.

Councilmember Kamp commented on the candlelight vigil for Grayson Hill, attendance at the Downtown Monroe Association meeting, and having the Boy Scouts of America Tiger Pack No. 148 present the flag at a future council meeting and tour the police department.

Councilmember Cudaback commented on attendance at the Jayme Biendl Memorial 5K Walk/Run and thanked the Police and Parks department for their work.

2. Snohomish County Tomorrow Steering Committee (Councilmember Kamp)

No report was given.

STAFF/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Mike Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, commented on the Jayme Biendl Run, and grant award received for banners for the Downtown and North Kelsey areas.

Mr. Osaki reported on the 2015-2035 Comprehensive Plan certification by the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Monroe This Week (January 29, 2016, Edition No. 4)

Mayor Thomas reported on meetings held and events attended the previous week, including the candlelight vigil for Grayson Hill, and meetings in Olympia with local legislators.

2. Lobbyist Report (Green Light Strategies)

Mr. Brazel noted information in the agenda packet provided by Green Light Strategies, the City's Lobbying Firm, regarding proposed bills of interest to the City, and a listing of the bills currently being monitored.

Ms. Dianne Nelson, Finance Director, provided background information on HB2438/SB6425. General discussion ensued regarding HB2438/SB6425 and other bills listed in the report. Council agreed by consensus to support HB2438/SB6425.

3. Draft Agenda for February 9, 2016, Regular Business Meeting

Mr. Brazel reviewed the draft agenda for the February 9, 2016, Monroe City Council Regular Business Meeting, the extended agenda, and additions/edits thereto.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Potential Litigation [RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)] and Collective Bargaining Negotiations [RCW 42.30.140(b)] (10 minutes)

Mayor Thomas stated the Council would recess into an executive session for approximately 10 minutes. City Attorney Lell read the appropriate citations into the record: Potential Litigation [RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)] and Collective Bargaining Negotiations [RCW 42.30.140(b)].

The meeting recessed into executive session at 8:32 p.m. and reconvened at 8:42 p.m.

Councilmember Cudaback moved to amend the agenda to add a motion to approve a Professional Services Contract with Summit Law Group; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kamp. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

Councilmember Cudaback moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement for Special Counsel Legal Services with Summit Law Group for services through December 31, 2016; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Hanford. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilmember Kamp and seconded by Councilmember Gamble to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried (5-0).

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:45 p.m.

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

Elizabeth M. Smoot, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Regular Business Meeting of February 9, 2016.